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SUBJECT: STAFFDEL MAJAK

1. FOLLOWING THE EAST EUROPEAN ECONOMIC-COMMERCIAL OFFICERS' CONFERENCE IN GARMISCH, ENDING MAY 5, TWO CONGRESSIONAL STAFF MEMBERS AND ONE DEPARTMENT OFFICER PLAN TO VISIT ACTION POSTS FOR MEETINGS WITH EMBASSY AND HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. THIS WOULD BE FOLLOW UP TO GARMISCH MEETINGS IN WHICH MAJOR ASPECTS OF EAST-WEST TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS WILL HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED. SIMILAR PROGRAM WAS ARRANGED FOR WARSAW, BUCHAREST AND MOSCOW FOLLOWING OCTOBER 1976 GARMISCH MEETING AND PROVIDED VERY USEFUL EDUCATION FOR THE STAFFERS PARTICIPATING. NAMES OF  
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STAFFDEL AND PROPOSED ITINERARY FOLLOW. PLEASE ADVISE IMMEDIATELY IF ANY PROBLEMS IN SCHEDULING ARE ANTICIPATED FOR DAYS INDICATED.

2. MEMBERS OF STAFFDEL ARE AS FOLLOWS: R. ROGER MAJAK, STAFF DIRECTOR, HOUSE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY AND TRADE; KENT H. HUGHES,

ECONOMIST, JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE; PAUL K. STAHNKE,  
OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS, DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

3. TENTATIVE ITINERARY FOLLOWS:

SATURDAY, MAY 6

LEAVE MUNICH AT 1:33 P.M. ON GERMAN RAILWAYS D-469.

ARRIVE PRAGUE AT 9:10 P.M.

SUNDAY, MAY 7 AND MONDAY MAY 8

AVAILABLE FOR SCHEDULING BY EMBASSY PRAGUE

LEAVE PRAGUE 10:51 P.M. VIA FRENCH RAILWAYS TRAIN 273.

TUESDAY, MAY 9

ARRIVE BUDAPEST AT 9:05 A.M. ON FRENCH RAILWAYS TRAIN 273.

AVAILABLE FOR SCHEDULING BY EMBASSY BUDAPEST.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

TO BE SCHEDULED BY EMBASSY BUDAPEST. LEAVE BUDAPEST AT  
6:00 P.M. ON LO-116. ARRIVE WARSAW AT 8:25 P.M.

THURSDAY, MAY 11

AVAILABLE FOR SCHEDULING BY EMBASSY WARSAW.

FRIDAY, MAY 12

FURTHER SCHEDULING BY EMBASSY WARSAW.

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SATURDAY, MAY 13

DEPARTURE FOR WESTERN EUROPEAN DESTINATIONS.

4. SCHEDULE SHOULD PROVIDE MAXIMUM EXPOSURE IN TIME  
AVAILABLE TO HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS FOR DISCUSSION OF  
PRINCIPAL ASPECTS US-HOST COUNTRY ECONOMIC RELATIONS,  
WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THOSE ASPECTS OF INTEREST  
TO CONGRESS. SPECIFIC COUNTRY INTERESTS FOLLOW BUT  
EMBASSIES SHOULD FEEL FREE TO INCLUDE OTHER SUBJECTS IT  
SEES APPROPRIATE.

5. FOR PRAGUE. STAFFDEL WOULD APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FOR  
USEFUL SUNDAY PROGRAM. FOR MONDAY, REQUEST EMBASSY  
BRIEFING AND MEETINGS WITH APPROPRIATE CZECH OFFICIALS.  
MAJAK'S SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, JONATHAN BINGHAM, IS ON  
PUBLIC RECORD AS FAVORING EARLY RESOLUTION OF CLAIMS/  
GOLD ISSUE AND MAJAK WOULD BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE HIS  
VIEWS ON CONGRESSIONAL SITUATION, NONE OF WHICH WILL BE  
NEW. HOWEVER CZECHS MAY WISH TO USE THE OCCASION TO GIVE  
THEIR LATEST THINKING. ALSO DISCUSSION ON AGRICULTURAL  
IMPORTS, IF APPROPRIATE. (SEE PARA 7.).

6. FOR BUDAPEST. NEITHER OF THE TWO CONGRESSIONAL STAFFERS ARE ON COMMITTEES HAVING JURISDICTION OVER U.S.- HUNGARIAN TRADE AGREEMENT. BUT MAJAK'S SUBCOMMITTEE HAS INTEREST IN OVERALL ECONOMIC RELATIONS AND JEC COVERS

AREA FROM STILL BROADER PERSPECTIVE. EMBASSY BRIEFINGS AND MEETINGS WITH HUNGARIANS SHOULD BE ARRANGED ACCORDINGLY. SEE ALSO PARA 7 REGARDING AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS, IF APPROPRIATE.

7. FOR WARSAW. AS WITH BUDAPEST, GENERAL BRIEFING AND EXPOSURE TO POLES ON MAIN ECONOMIC ISSUES WOULD BE USEFUL.

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ALSO, SINCE MAJAK'S SUBCOMMITTEE HAS JURISDICTION OVER SEVERAL AGRICULTURAL EXPORT BILLS CURRENTLY BEFORE CONGRESS, HE WOULD APPRECIATE DISCUSSIONS ON NATURE AND PROSPECTS OF POLISH MARKET FOR AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS, AND ON USEFULNESS OF INTERMEDIATE CREDITS. HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO MEET WITH AGRICULTURAL ATTACHE TO DISCUSS HIS FUNCTIONS IN LIGHT OF BILL PROPOSING, INTER ALIA, ESTABLISHMENT OF AGRICULTURAL TRADE CENTERS, INCLUDING PROBABLY ONE IN EASTERN EUROPE.

8. FOR PRAGUE AND MUNICH. STAFFDEL WOULD PREFER TRAVELING BY SURFACE WHEREVER POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, INFORMATION ON TRAIN SCHEDULES AND THEIR QUALITY IS NOT EASILY AVAILABLE HERE. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ADVICE ON PROPOSED TRAINS, INCLUDING ALTERNATIVES IF THEY ARE BETTER. CHRISTOPHER

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